Announcement: Hey guys, YES! It's the return of the Universe's funniest, most hilarious newsletter about chess, ROOK NO FURTHER. Don't believe me? If A is for Apple and B is for Banana what's C For? It's a square on the chessboard (3) RNF:):)



ROOK NO FURTHER # 51

THE WHAT

So, kids, do you want to test your chess skills in a NEW, FUN and EXCITING WAY? And Parents, do you want to know more about upcoming junior tournaments? Rook no further! Find me on sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/newsletters + on our Facebook Page

COACHJOKES: Q: How did the elephant pause his chess clock? A: He stomped it ⊚

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: Opening General Ideas: Pawns-Good At Controlling Key Squares #1

Hi guys. This term we'll look at some general ideas common to all openings. The first of these is using pawns to control key squares. If you think about it, we use pawns to gain space for our key other pieces to come out into the game. If we didn't move any pawns, the only pieces that could play would be our knights jumping over them. Now, pawns are used primarily to control key squares in the centre. That is, to not only support our pieces accessing these squares (but importantly) to keep out our opponent's pieces too. Different openings seek to control different squares. The Sicilian for example centres around the squares d4 and d5. The French Defence black aims to strike with a quick pawn c5. You learn these ideas + many more from experience.

Question: Here we are white? What's our best plan to ensure victory?









In each position find the best move/moves.

White to move = W Black to move = B





MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini game.

1. d4 d5

2. Bg5 Nf6

3. Bxf6 exf6

4. e3 Bd6

5. c4 dxc4

6. Bxc4 0-0

7. Nc3 c5??

8. dxc5 Bxc5

9. Bxf7! Kxf7

10. Qh5+! Kg8

11. Qxc5!!

1-0

White is just a

clear pawn up here 😊 😊



BONUS CHESS JOKE:)

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Why are a pair of knights stronger than a single knight?





UPCOMING EVENTS

https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/tournaments/upcoming

PYMBLE SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 24TH JULY

Online Code: T4JUAWGAJD

EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 31ST JULY

Online Code: WVHTFBC4Y1

INNER WEST SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 1ST AUGUST

Online Code: V024UC0GAA

HURSTVILLE SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 8TH AUGUST

Online Code: B95DEMQPF7

PARRAMATTA SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 14TH AUGUST

Online Code: QT4WPIDHLG

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12:40pm-3:50pm

1:40pm- 4:50pm

9:20am-1:00pm

10:00am-12:50pm

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SuperCoach signing off